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14 April 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Acting Executive
SUBJECT: Pending Matters in COAPS/CIA

A. Outside CIA

Briefing of Service Attaches: CIA memorandum 16 February - Army disagrees with one word. Standing Committee meeting scheduled April 17.

Conferences with U. S. Government Officials Returning from Abroad: CIA memorandum 16 February - State suggests certain rewording. Army disagrees. Standing Committee meeting scheduled April 17.

Proposed Watch Committee: Circular to participating IAC members 6 March. Navy disagrees with procedures. State suggests substitute. Army suggests changes.

Proposed Permanent Committee on Soviet Capabilities and Intentions: Circular to participating IAC members 3 March 1950. State approves. Navy questions need for such formalization into a Committee because it is almost the all-embracing work of the entire intelligence organizations. Army is opposed.

Status Reports of Intelligence Production: Proposed Interagency Operating Procedure circulated 10 March to Standing Committee. Navy approves for major subjects. Army approves. State submits substitute. Air has changes.

Contact Point in Agencies for interviews re intelligence, etc.: Investigating in Pentagon to see if they will follow State's circular of 1949; and/or need for an Interagency Operating Procedure.

Additional Air Force Member from T-2 on Scientific Intelligence Committee: Being studied by COAPS and OSI.

NSC letter April 4 re Voice of America (NSC 66): COAPS draft reply April 10 being coordinated with OSI and ORE.

Air Force Request for an Ad Hoc Committee to develop a proposed U.S. policy for the treatment of Soviet and Satellite attaches in the U.S.: First meeting held April 12, 1950 and Air Force Memorandum on subject considered. Second meeting called for April 26, 1950.

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Economic Intelligence: NSC memorandum dated 3 March enclosing NSRB request of 7 February for appraisal of foreign economic intelligence requirements, facilities, and arrangements. Referred to ORE 7 March. Planned by ORE and discussed with COAPS.

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The [] Plan for Systematic Development of the Consular and Commercial Sources of Intelligence Information: Awaiting memo from OSO before further discussions with State. State is also studying this project.

CIA Emergency Plans: Continuing work on basis of new instructions from Executive.

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New NSCID No. 1: Being studied in COAPS.

NIS Publications: Meeting to be called by COAPS soon re excessive number of copies now printed.

Distribution of CIA documents to [] Being studied in COAPS and CIA. 25X1C8A

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